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ELECTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Claim 23 is pending. Claims 1-22 and 24-40 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications directed to any cancelled subject matter.

Also accompanying this paper is a Petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), which removes P. Patrick Hess as an inventor due to cancellation of claims from the Application.

The specification is amended to correct obvious typographical and spelling errors and to produce grammatical clarity. The amendment to the paragraphs beginning on page 8, line 22, through page 9, line 14, of the specification deletes the inadvertently added phrases "that are encoded by the"; "as a" and "of" and adds the inadvertently omitted words "refer to" and "that" for grammatical clarity. The amendment to the paragraph on page 36, lines 24-29, of the specification replaces " E_{compl} " with E_{compl} to correct an energy term. The amendment finds basis at page 36, lines 25-29, of the specification which describes the energy term " E_{compl} " as the energy of the complex. The amendment to the paragraph on page 38, lines 1-5, of the specification, adds the inadvertently omitted phrase "structure activity relationship" to correct a minor typographical error. The amendment finds basis at page 39, line 26, of the specification which describes "SAR" as "structure activity relationship." The amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 39, line 24, through page 40, line 5, of the specification adds the inadvertently omitted phrase "TUMOR NECROSIS *factor*". The amendment finds basis at page 7, lines 24-25, of the specification which describes "TNF" as the tumor necrosis factor. No new matter has been added.

Included as an attachment is a marked-up version of the specification paragraphs that are being amended, per 37 CFR §1.121.


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In view of the above remarks, examination and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

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